

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Call to Order: CHAIRMAN JERRY W. BLACK, on January 15, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 317-A Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jerry W. Black, Chairman (R)
Sen. Aubyn Curtiss, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Roy Brown (R)
Sen. Ron Erickson (D)
Sen. John Esp (R)
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)
Sen. Lynda Moss (D)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Branch
Nadine Spencer, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 66, 1/7/2009

Executive Action:

HEARING ON SB 66

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:38 SEN. RON ERICKSON (D), SD 47, opened the hearing on SB 66, Sequestration standards for carbon dioxide.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:17:53 Mike Volesky, Governor's Office

00:20:53 Ann Hedges, Montana Environmental Information Center (MEIC)

EXHIBIT (ens09a01)

00:33:49 Beth Kaeding, Northern Plains Resource Council

00:36:57 Sarah Cobler, Montana Conservation Voters

Opponents' Testimony:

00:37:46 Dave Gault, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA)

00:38:21 Edwin Berry, Climate Physics LLC

EXHIBIT (ens09a02)

00:51:16 Dave Gault

00:54:49 Roger Hagen, Hagan Family Mineral Trust

00:58:26 Mark Lambrecht, PPL Montana

01:04:11 Jerome Anderson, attorney representing Encore Acquisition Company

EXHIBIT (ens09a03)

01:08:30 John Alke, Montana Dakota Utilities

01:15:00 Candace Payne, Southern Montana Electric Generation and Transmission Cooperative

01:16:48 Leo Berry, attorney representing Great Northern Properties

01:19:15 John Metropoulos, Fidelity Exploration and Production Company

01:24:23 John Fitzpatrick, Northwestern Energy

01:26:19 Haley Beaudry, Columbia Falls Aluminum Company (CFAC)

01:28:22 Todd O'Hare, Rio Tinto Energy America

01:31:24 John Bennion, Montana Chamber of Commerce

Informational Testimony:

01:32:24 Tom Richmond, Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation (MBOGC)

01:34:16 Bonnie Lovelace, Department of Environmental Quality

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:35:01 Sen. Brown
01:35:35 Sen. Erickson
01:36:06 Sen. Brown
01:36:24 Sen. Erickson
01:37:01 Sen. Brown
01:37:52 Sen. Erickson
01:39:16 Sen. Brown
01:40:16 Jerome Anderson
01:40:54 Sen. Brown
01:41:03 Sen. Moss
01:42:13 Sen. Erickson
01:43:53 Sen. Moss
01:44:10 Sen. Erickson
01:44:41 Sen. Gebhardt
01:45:38 Sen. Erickson
01:47:49 Chairman Black
01:48:26 Leo Berry
01:49:36 Chairman Black
01:49:52 John Fitzpatrick
01:52:06 Chairman Black
01:52:24 Sen. Curtiss
01:52:38 Edwin Berry

Closing by Sponsor:

01:53:16 Sen. Erickson

Additional Exhibits:

[EXHIBIT](#)(ens09a04)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:55 P.M.

NADINE SPENCER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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